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In re Patent Application of:  
J. Stuart Cumming

Application No.: 09/943,910

Filed: August 31, 2001

For: INTRAOCULAR LENSES WITH FIXATED  
HAPTICS BACKGROUND OF THE  
INVENTION



Group Art Unit: 3738

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

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*See Amendment A*

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Box Non-Fee Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In order to place this application in better condition for examination, prior to examination on the merits, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested.

In the Specification:

Please delete paragraph number [0037].

Please replace the paragraphs in the specification with the following paragraphs of the same number:

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[0008] Plate haptic lenses are sometimes desirable because they provide certain advantages over long loop lenses, including stabilization of the vitreous with substantially less probability of the most serious complications of cataract surgery, these being retinal detachment and cystoid macular edema. Another advantage is the consistent posterior location of the optic, which not only stabilizes the vitreous, but provides more predictable post-operative, uncorrected visual acuity. A further advantage is that the posterior location of the lens results in tight contact of the lens with the posterior capsule, thereby resulting in